



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of:

Maini et al.

For: TAUT MOORING SYSTEM FOR JACK-UP
TYPE MOBILE OFFSHORE PLATFORMS

Atty Dkt: 21964-P002US

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to extend the period for submission of a response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2001 for three (3) months.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), the requisite fee is \$445.00. A check(s) in this amount is enclosed; however, if the check is missing or incorrect in amount, or if other fees are determined to be due in connection with the captioned application, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any deficiencies to Winstead Sechrest & Minick Deposit Acct. No. 23-2426/21964-P002US.

Respectfully submitted,

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